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STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



MARK DAYTON GOVERNOR

Emergency Executive Order 18-06

Declaring an Emergency in the State of Minnesota and Providing Assistance for Emergency Sheltering, Search and Rescue, and Sheltering of Stranded Motorists

I, Mark Dayton, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

Whereas, on April 13, 2018 a major wind and snow storm swept through Rock County causing major power outages due to downed power lines affecting Magnolia, MN located in Rock County, which necessitated a sheltering mission at the armory in Luverne;

Whereas, the wind and snow conditions are forecast to worsen and persist for the coming weekend, and these conditions create an imminent danger to persons, presenting an immediate need to activate emergency sheltering resources;

Whereas, the resources of the affected local and county governments were inadequate to meet the demands generated by the winter storm conditions;

Whereas, the Rock County Sheriff has requested the assistance of the Minnesota National Guard to support sheltering of the displaced youth and staff; and

Whereas, weather conditions continue to deteriorate in the southern portion of Minnesota, and the counties of Anoka, Benton, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Carver, Chippewa, Chisago, Cottonwood, Dakota, Dodge, Douglas, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Grant, Hennepin, Houston, Isanti, Jackson, Kandiyohi, Lac Qui Parle, Le Sueur, Lincoln, Lyon, Martin, McLeod, Meeker, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Mower, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Olmstead, Otter Tail, Pipestone, Pope, Ramsey, Redwood, Renville, Rice, Rock, Scott, Sherburne, Sibley, Stearns, Steele, Stevens, Swift, Todd, Traverse, Wabasha, Wadena, Waseca, Washington, Watonwan, Wilkin, Winona, Wright, and Yellow Medicine

are under blizzard or winter weather warnings and travel in these areas is expected to become increasingly difficult, and it is expected that additional counties may require the assistance of the Minnesota National Guard to support recovering and sheltering of stranded motorists.

Now, Therefore, I hereby declare an emergency and order that:

- 1. The Adjutant General of Minnesota order to state active duty on or about April 13, 2018, in the service of the State, such personnel and equipment of the military forces of the State as required and for such period of time as necessary to provide assistance and emergency relief services.
- 2. The Adjutant General is authorized to purchase, lease or contract for goods and services necessary to accomplish the mission.
- 3. The cost of subsistence, transportation, fuel, pay and allowances of said individuals shall be defrayed from the general fund of the State, as provided for in Minnesota Statutes, sections 192.49, subdivisions 1 and 2; 192.52; and 192.54, and as otherwise permitted by law.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 4.035, subdivision 2, this Emergency Executive Order is effective immediately and must be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the State Register as soon as possible after its issuance. It remains in effect until the conclusion of the emergency.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand on this 13th day of April, 2018.

Mark Dayton Governor

Filed According to Law:

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Steve Simon Secretary of State

